



Westbourne
House School
CHICHESTER

CHEF MANAGER

Required as soon as possible

The Role

We are seeking to appoint an experienced and quality-focused Chef Manager. You will be responsible for the food service provision for pupils and staff, as well as catering for functions and events across the School. Genuinely passionate about all things culinary and achieving the highest levels of service, you will ensure compliance with statutory regulations and be responsible for the department's budget. Responsible for a team of 9, you will have strong leadership skills and the ability to regularly inject innovation whilst maintaining our existing standards.

It is essential that the school's Catering Department operates at the highest standard to ensure that the pupils enjoy meals that are planned with great care, prepared with skill and of course taste delicious. We look for high quality food, exceeding the expectation of a normal school meal, which is home-made using quality, fresh ingredients.

Previous experience of Education or Independent School Catering would be beneficial but not essential. The School continues to develop its weekend catering provision for full time boarding, it is therefore important that the successful candidate has experience in leading a team during a period of change.

Terms and Conditions

- Full time (40 hours per week), term time only plus 3 weeks per annum (typically this is 33 weeks during school operating period and 3 weeks for development, training and cleaning).
- The working week will be on a rota basis between the three chefs - Monday to Sunday. This will include working approximately seven weekends per annum.
- £26,950 per annum (£35,000 FTE).
- A contributory pension scheme.
- Use of the schools facilities.

Closing date: 29th July 2019

We reserve the right to interview and offer to a strong candidate prior to the closing date. It is strongly recommended that candidates submit their applications as soon as possible.

Please apply by completing the application form. CVs may be attached, but not in place of the application form. Please return completed applications to Robyn Aubrey at hr@westbournehouse.org.

About the School

Westbourne House is situated just to the east of Chichester in beautiful grounds of over 100 acres. There are approximately 375 boys and girls, aged 2½ -13. Most children go on to major Public Schools across the South.

The school enjoys outstanding facilities. Teaching is extremely well resourced with excellent teaching rooms, the majority equipped with interactive whiteboards; there are also sets of laptops which can be booked for class based work. There are rooms for Art, Ceramics, ICT, Design Technology and Food Technology, a separate Science block and Music School, as well as a modern, 300 seat theatre/assembly hall. The School also has a large (30 acre) lake on the north boundary for kayaking.

Academic standards are high, with consistently outstanding Common Entrance results together with an excellent scholarship record; last year no fewer than 46 awards and scholarships to senior schools were won across a range of disciplines, totalling 140 over the last five years.

The music and drama departments also excel consistently: all children are involved in school productions, a large number are members of school choirs and there are regular concerts.

There is a wide variety of sport on offer, and a large number of teams represent the school most Wednesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays. As well as extensive playing fields, there is a 25-metre swimming pool, dance studio, sports hall, squash courts and a full-sized astro-turf pitch.

There are around 100 boarders, many of whom board for two or three nights in one of seven houses on the school grounds. As of September 2017, the school introduced full time boarding allowing the children to further enjoy the beautiful facilities and grounds the school has to offer.